

REMARKS


Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 36 and 45-50 are pending and claims 36 and 45 are amended. Applicants submit the claim amendments overcome the outstanding rejections under 35 USC. § 112.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner does not find this response to be sufficient to place this application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' undersigned representative to arrange for a telephone interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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